## AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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--The invention relates to a method for operating an appliance comprising at least one sub-program step "drying", which permits appliances comprising at least one sub-program step "drying" to be operated in the most economic manner possible and permits the efficient drying of items with a minimum energy consumption. To achieve this, during the sub-program step(s) "drying", air is conducted from a treatment chamber via a conduit system, in which at least one Peltier element is located, and the air is then recirculated to the chamber. During its passage through the conduit system, the air is cooled, moisture is removed and the air is subsequently reheated.--